

STAND. COM. REP. NO.

1019

Honolulu, Hawaii

APR 01 2011

RE: S.C.R. No. 111
S.D. 1

Honorable Shan S. Tsutsui
President of the Senate
Twenty-Sixth State Legislature
Regular Session of 2011
State of Hawaii

Sir:

Your Committee on Commerce and Consumer Protection, to which
was referred S.C.R. No. 111 entitled:

"SENATE CONCURRENT RESOLUTION REQUESTING THE AUDITOR TO
CONDUCT A SUNRISE REVIEW OF THE REGULATION OF LARGE-SCALE DOG
BREEDERS AND DOG BREEDING FACILITIES,"

begs leave to report as follows:

The purpose and intent of this measure is to request the
Auditor to conduct a sunrise review of the regulation of large-
scale dog breeders and dog breeding facilities.

Your Committee received testimony in support of this measure
from the Professional and Vocational Licensing Division of the
Department of Commerce and Consumer Affairs, The Humane Society of
the United States, Hawaiian Humane Society, and one individual.
Your Committee received comments on this measure from the
Regulated Industries Complaints Office of the Department of
Commerce and Consumer Affairs.

Your Committee finds that dog breeding is currently
unregulated in Hawaii. Further, while animal cruelty laws do
exist, they are insufficient to allow for effective enforcement,
particularly since current law does not allow entry onto property
for the investigation of suspected violations. Your Committee
also finds that unscrupulous breeding programs not only harm
breeding animals that are kept under inhumane conditions, but also
produce puppies that are sold to unsuspecting consumers despite
their unsuitability as pets due to health problems. Finally, your



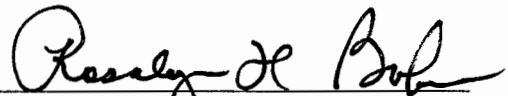
Committee finds that this measure would allow for the regulation and oversight of the dog breeding industry to effectively prevent the operation of puppy mills.

Your Committee has amended this measure by:

- (1) Specifying that the Auditor's requested assessment should also address alternative forms of regulation, as provided in section 26H-6, Hawaii Revised Statutes; and
- (2) Making technical, nonsubstantive amendments for the purposes of clarity and consistency.

As affirmed by the record of votes of the members of your Committee on Commerce and Consumer Protection that is attached to this report, your Committee concurs with the intent and purpose of S.C.R. No. 111, as amended herein, and recommends that it be referred to the Committee on Ways and Means, in the form attached hereto as S.C.R. No. 111, S.D. 1.

Respectfully submitted on
behalf of the members of the
Committee on Commerce and
Consumer Protection,




ROSALYN H. BAKER, Chair



The Senate
Twenty-Sixth Legislature
State of Hawai'i

Record of Votes
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SCR 111	CPN, WAM	3-29-11		
<input type="checkbox"/> The committee is reconsidering its previous decision on this measure. If so, then the previous decision was to: _____				
The Recommendation is: <input type="checkbox"/> Pass, unamended 2312 <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Pass, with amendments 2311 <input type="checkbox"/> Hold 2310 <input type="checkbox"/> Recommit 2313				
Members	Aye	Aye (WR)	Nay	Excused
BAKER, Rosalyn H. (C)	✓			
TANIGUCHI, Brian T. (VC)	✓			
GALUTERIA, Brickwood				✓
GREEN, M.D., Josh				✓
NISHIHARA, Clarence K.	✓			
SOLOMON, Malama		✓		
SLOM, Sam				✓
TOTAL	3	1	0	3
Recommendation: <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Adopted <input type="checkbox"/> Not Adopted				
Chair's or Designee's Signature: 				
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